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(SBU) Poloff discussed demarche points (reftel) with Mr. Mohd Hussain Abu Bakr, Principal Assistant Secretary in the MFA's South and Central Asia Division, on November 12 regarding Malaysia's possible attendance of the inauguration of President Karzai, and on the opening of a Malaysian embassy in Afghanistan. Hussain said that his government "most likely would not" send anyone to the inauguration, but noted his government would send a congratulatory message to President Karzai. When asked if the GOM had intention of opening an embassy in Afghanistan, Hussain replied "not in the near future."